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Amend the bill in section 5 in subsection 3 in paragraph B in the last line (page 3, line 6 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "requirements." and inserting the following: 'requirements and sufficient funding is available within MaineCare's nursing facility program. The department may seek additional appropriations to fulfill the purposes of this subsection if necessary.'

SUMMARY

This amendment adds language clarifying when the Department of Health and Human Services may approve nursing facility certificate of need applications for capital expenditures for emergencies and necessary renovations to require that such approvals only be granted within existing appropriations for MaineCare's nursing facility program.